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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 27, 2003, Applicants request reconsideration of the patentability of all pending claims. Claims 13 and 15-22 are currently under examination to the extent that they read on GPNMB. Claims 14, 15, and 17 are canceled in this amendment as they are redundant in view of the restriction and election of GPNMB.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

No fee is believed due in connection with this response. However, should the Patent and Trademark Office determine that a fee is required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.